

LEGISLATIVE

I take my responsibility to serve as your representative at City Hall very seriously. The Metro Council's primary responsibility is to pass a balanced budget every year for Metro Government, but we also work through many committees to ensure our government actions are transparent and accountable to the citizens we represent. It is my honor to serve as Chair of the Metro Council Public Safety Committee this year. Additionally, I serve on the Labor and Economic Development Committee, Appointments Committee, Land Development Code Committee, and Vacant Properties Committee.

This year, I led the effort to strengthen the city's scrap metal theft law. The new law requires a title be presented anytime a car is scrapped, unless the car is 10 model years old or older at which time an affidavit is required. Additionally, each scrap metal business must submit transactions to an online database established by LMPD and any vehicle used in the theft of scrap metal may be confiscated. I believe these changes to the scrap metal law will help alleviate a lot of the crime occurring in our neighborhoods.

No More RED Dots

Our community has faced a lot of adversity over the past several months. Violence in our neighborhoods is on the rise, so we are searching harder than ever for answers to the difficult questions which face our community. In law enforcement, we use crime maps to help understand the level of violence on the streets with red dots to represent shootings. It goes without saying that the number of red dots we're seeing on these maps, most of which are concentrated in West Louisville, is highly alarming. I believe our police officers are a vital resource in this struggle, but I also know that we cannot simply arrest ourselves out of this cycle of violence.

Awareness must be built by engaging our residents across generational boundaries and throughout our places of worship, local schools, and small businesses. The goal of the No More Red Dots Campaign is to start reducing the number of red dots

immediately by providing our most vulnerable youth with the skills to make positive decisions in the face of escalating violence. Through a partnership with Peace Education and The Life Institute, we have designed a sensible, neighborhood-based plan that brings conflict resolution skills to those who need it most – the ones who live with violence in their lives day in and day out. Four separate programs will engage high school and middle school students, young adults, and neighborhood leaders. Additionally, the creation of street-captains in California and Shawnee will help us collect the intelligence necessary to stop violence before it escalates.



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Dish with David

December 15th, 2012

10:00am at Burger Boy
1450 South Brook Street
Louisville, KY 40208

January 19th, 2013

10:00am at Midwest Church of Christ
2115 Garland Avenue
Louisville, KY 40211

February 16th, 2013

10:00am at S. Louisville Community Center
2911 Taylor Boulevard
Louisville, KY 40208

March 15th, 2013

10:00am at the Kling Center
219 West Ormsby Avenue
Louisville, KY 40203

April 20th, 2013

10:00am at Victory Park Lodge
1051 S 23rd St
Louisville, KY 40210

May 18th, 2013

10:00am at 1st G Baptist Church
1159 Algonquin Parkway
Louisville, KY 40208

“Dish with David” provides you with the opportunity to meet with Councilman David James in your own neighborhood!

Sixth District Councilman David James

The District Six Dispatch

Fall 2012



Louisville Metro Council
From the desk of
Councilman David James

Dear Friends,

It has been my honor to serve as your local representative at City Hall over the past two years! Because of you, I will serve my first full four year term starting in January, so THANK YOU! I have been hard at work for the citizens in the 6th District and have filled this newsletter with all the happenings around our neighborhood. Because of redistricting, many of you are receiving a newsletter from me for the first time—I appreciate you taking the time to stay informed and learn more about what is going on throughout our District. From Old Louisville to California and South Louisville to So-Bro, there has been a lot happening. Together, we have worked hard to make our neighborhoods and our city what they are today. While there is still more to do, I want you to know how proud I am of the work we have done together. In 2013, I look forward to continued successes in improving the quality of life in our neighborhoods— but I can't do it alone. If you want to get involved in making our neighborhoods great, I encourage you to show up for a neighborhood association meeting, attend a public event, or volunteer at a local non-profit organization. Just show up and participate—it's that easy! As always, I am here to help you and to lead our community to a better place. Please contact my office at 574-1106 or email me at david.james@louisvilleky.gov if I can ever be of assistance to you.

Sincerely,

David C. James



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CALIFORNIA



Newly refurbished tennis and basketball courts at California Park



A community garden recently opened up with another on the way!



We've recently renamed W. Kentucky St. to "Pastor Kevin W. Cosby Way" in honor of his contributions to our community



The upkeep of our Leisure Park has tremendously improved over the past year!

VICTORY PARK UPDATE

Recently, I've authorized police overtime for the area surrounding Victory Park. I believe our park areas should be a place to take our kids to play on the swing sets and play football, not a place for criminals and gangs to hang out. We've already made great progress in reducing crime in the area, but need your help by reporting crime to 574-LMPD (anonymous tip line) or by calling my office at 574-1106. Let's stay vigilant, and together we can take our park back!

JOIN US FOR THE 2ND ANNUAL LIGHT-UP CALIFORNIA



Saturday, December 8th
The California Leisure Park
(corner of Dixie Highway and W. Kentucky Street)
6:00 pm — 7:30 pm

Join us as we welcome Santa Claus to California!

Bring the kids for a good time with Santa, city leaders and neighborhood residents as we celebrate the holiday season together.

OLD LOUISVILLE



\$350,000 in infrastructure improvements along the 4th & Oak Corridor – ground breaking this winter!



Restoration of the Old Louisville Information Center



Louisville's first urban dog run in the newly redesigned Toonerville Trolley Park



Enhanced entrances to Old Louisville through beautification efforts

Economic Development Update:

Recently, the Oak Street Task Force evolved into the Greater Louisville Inc. (GLI) Old Louisville Economic Development Committee. A consultant will soon be hired to perform a market study and work toward ribbon cuttings for the neighborhood—specifically the 4th and Oak corridor. Additionally, a fund will soon be established to attract development to the area and provide incentive dollars (by way of forgivable loans) to offset start-up costs for businesses. Many thanks to those neighborhood leaders that continue to focus on creating jobs and finding ways to make Old Louisville thrive!

Old Louisville Holiday Home Tour

Enjoy the spirit of the holidays at this matchless holiday event in the heart of Kentucky's largest city and see why people are talking about America's Victorian Gem, Old Louisville!

Celebrate the Holiday Season and Tour the interior of beautiful Old Louisville Homes, along with the Woman's Club, Frazier House, Presentation Academy School, and the Tompkins-Buchanan-Rankin Mansion in Spalding University.

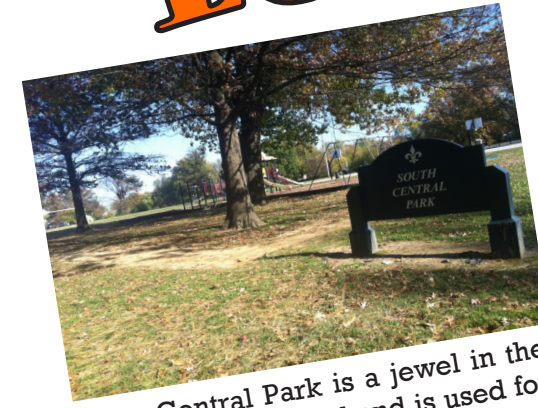
Saturday, December 1, 2012
Sunday, December 2, 2012
Noon to 6:00 pm

Questions?
Old Louisville Information Center
1340 South Fourth Street in
Central Park
502 635-5244



Holiday Home Tour tickets are \$25.00 day of the tour \$20.00 in advance if purchased before 5 pm Friday, November 30th

SOUTH LOUISVILLE



South Central Park is a jewel in the heart of our neighborhood and is used for many sports and recreational activities.



Many thanks to 1st G Baptist Church for holding a "Back to School Bash" that provided thousands of kids with much needed school supplies.



Residents gather to organize a neighborhood association! To get involved please call our office at 574-1106.



Historic trees line Central Ave., but many have become diseased and are dying. We are working to plant new ones so we can keep our neighborhood beautiful.

MSD/ALGONQUIN UPDATE

The continuing saga of completing a much needed drainage project along the 700 block of Algonquin Parkway is coming to an end. Very soon residents will see MSD crews working to decrease water that pools in front yards every time it rains. MSD will alert all residents before the work starts, but if you have any questions you may also call my office at 574-1106.

SPOT Clinic

(Stop Pet Overpopulation Today)

Saturday, December 8th
South Louisville Community Center
2911 Taylor Boulevard
Time: 10:00 am — 2:00 pm



License: \$9.50 / \$50.50
(unaltered pets)
Rabies: \$8 (1 year) / \$12 (3 years)
Microchips: \$25

For more information please call:
Animal Adoption Center
473-PETS (7387)